



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

CHAWLA et al.

Art Unit: 1714

Application No. 10/008,489

Examiner:

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For: RADIATION-CURABLE COMPOSITIONS

FOR OPTICAL MEDIA

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 20 and 21, and add new claims 45-49, as follows:

20. (Once Amended) Optical media comprising a reflective or semi-reflective layer and a cured radiation-curable adhesive composition, the radiation-cured composition prepared by curing a radiation-curable composition comprising components that undergo polymerization when exposed to radiation and a component selected from the group consisting of acyclic thiols, heterocyclic compounds of the formula R-SH and R¹-R², and mixtures thereof in an amount sufficient to inhibit corrosion of the reflective or semi-reflective layer, wherein R is a heterocycle, R¹ is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl as a substituent of R² or forming with R² a bicyclic structure, and R² is a heterocycle comprising at least one double bond and at least two N atoms.

21. (Once Amended) The optical media according to claim 20, further comprising at least two substrates, wherein the reflective or semi-reflective layer comprises silver, gold,

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